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WANTED.

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One three-seated spring board with pole, one farm wagon, one open buggy, one pair driving harness, one pair working harness, one single harness.

WANTED.

The Boys and Girls in Oxford County who read the Bethel News to save the votes contained therein for me, number to the one who will send the largest number between now and June 17th I will give a nicely bound book of the "Jack Harkaway" series.

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Anyone wishing to buy an organ, to know that by calling at the NEWS office they can see the greatest bargain ever offered in Oxford County.

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For Sale! One three-spring wagon suitable for business or pleasure, very light, extra fine, high backed seats lined with leather, for a very low price.

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A. W. GROVER, Pension : Attorney, BETHEL, MAINE.

I desire to call the attention of all who had claims in the hands of the late J. C. Rice, Esq., that I have all his papers and books pertaining to such claims, and am continuing prosecution of such claims under a continuing power of attorney, and am continuing to receive correspondence or call at my office, where you will find me on the three last days of each week.

Correspondence attended to at any time.

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BETHEL LOCALS.

Items of Interest. What Our People Talk About.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Cannot Be Hid."

E. H. Young is painting his house.

Dr. C. D. Hill was in West Paris Saturday.

Rev. I. Jordan was in Lewiston, Thursday.

Interest in the contest still increasing.

Miss Joan Stearns was at Paris last Friday.

J. P. Ballard was in town last Wednesday.

Col. Edwards' next article will appear in two weeks.

Bank Examiner F. E. Timberlake was in town, Thursday.

Milton Penley is attending court in his official capacity.

Ell F. Stearns was at Andover and Rumford Falls last week.

Rev. F. E. Barton returned from a vacation trip last Thursday.

Ezra Andrews of Wellington spent Sunday with A. C. Frost.

George H. French visited Gilead, Hastings, and Shelburne Saturday.

Paulus Lowe is building an addition to his buildings on High Street.

Four new members have recently been added to the Epworth League.

Mrs. Abner Davis arrived in town Saturday to spend the summer.

The regular meeting of the F. and A. M. Lodge will occur to-morrow evening.

Robert C. Foster went up to the Lakes Tuesday morning, and will be gone about ten days.

Any who have cattle or horses which they desire pastured, will do well to see A. S. Bean of West Bethel.

Mrs. G. R. Wiley and Miss Nellie Frost attended the grand concert in Norway last Monday evening.

The Literary Society will meet with Mrs. W. D. Hastings, on Main St., to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. Ceylon Rowe has returned from Boston and has a full line of spring and summer goods to offer his customers.

D. M. Kimball of Middle Intervale has gone to Bemis to look after the lumber camps of the Berlin Mills Co.

J. C. Billings has just a nice lot of top buggies and Concord wagons. Anyone in want of a carriage should give him a call.

It was not a four-leafed clover but a double mayflower that we received through the kindness of a Bethel lady last week.

C. E. Wheeler had the misfortune of losing a finger at the Chair Factory last Monday. It was taken off on the bolt saw.

Mr. S. N. Buck's father, who has spent the last few years in the state of Kansas, has come to Bethel and will make his home with his son.

By a recent act of the village corporation, the hose company is to get out for practice once each month. They were out Thursday night for the first time.

On Thursday evening the citizens of Bethel will have an opportunity of listening to the widely known Mason family. This company always draws a full house and for genuine fun of a high order cannot be excelled. Band concert at 7 P. M.

The Bethel Cycle Club held its first annual meeting last Friday evening and elected the following officers:

Pres., H. C. Rowe.
V. Pres., R. C. Foster.
Sec. and Treas., D. H. Mason.
Com. for rooms, F. A. Leach, R. C. Foster, E. A. Barker.
Ex. Com., G. C. Chapman, S. N. Buck, Edward King.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is not a local but a constitutional condition of the mucous surfaces.

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The Hanging of The Bell.

BY ADDIE KENDALL MASON.
From the quaint little church at the corner
Floats a mellow, melodious chime;
To all the new church bell is ringing
A tender and beautiful rhyme.

Good will to all is the message
From the steeple sounding so clear
Come and you're sure of a welcome—
Sympathy, love, and good cheer.

I stood in my doorway this evening
As softly the twilight shades fell,
And listened with heart full of gladness
To the first ringing stroke of the bell.

O'er the waters chiming so sweetly
Rhythmically falling on the soft air;
Telling to all that high in the tower
Hangeth a bell in the new church so fair.

May God's kindest blessing follow forever
The one who buildeth so wisely and well,
And rest, too, on him who kindly donated
To hang in its tower the solemn church bell.

The children have helped with hands ever willing
So a joyful eagerness shown on each face
As their hands grasped the rope, the signal awaiting,
Then proudly they hoisted the bell to its place.

Solemnly, sweetly, hear the soft clanging
Made by that ponderous resonant tongue,
Telling so cheerily to the glad hearers
In Union Church the bell has been hung.

Swaying again and with energy ringing,
Pealing in gladness its message to tell—
"Come all ye that hear, come all that are weary!"
Calling to all the sweet, solemn bell.

The fine bell given by Milton Holt to the Chapel Aid Society was hung in the tower of the Union church at West Bethel, Wednesday, May 5, 1897; the village school children hauling on the ropes that raised it to position.

Mr. Holt rang the bell for the first time and it proved to be a very clear toned one. His generosity is appreciated, and that he may live many years to enjoy the deep voiced melody of this bell is the wish of all.

People who have traveled quite extensively and visited many beautiful churches unite in declaring this church at West Bethel to be one of the finest ones, equalling any of its size found in the cities.

Mr. A. S. Bean, who has given the money with which this building has been erected, after the foundation was laid by the Aid, is surely deserving of the heartfelt gratitude and praise of all who ever have been or ever will be a visitor or a resident of this town. "Them's my sentiments" any way.

West Bethel, May 5, 1897.

HOW TO PROCEED

To Procure a Certificate as a Registered Guide Explained.

As a good many letters of inquiry are being received asking for information how to proceed to procure a certificate of registration as a registered guide, we would respectfully say that we have prepared a blank that will give all the necessary information, on which the application can be and should be made, which will be sent all guides upon application.

All that is necessary to do, is to send to either of the commissioners for one of these blanks, fill it out and return it to the commissioners when the application will receive the immediate attention of the commissioners. Guides unknown to either of us will be required to furnish the recommendation of reputable citizens who are acquainted with them.

Some time during June one or more of the commissioners will be at all the principal fishing and hunting resorts, of which notice will be given to enable guides to apply for registration. Guides need not wait however as they may become registered by following the above directions. Every indication points to a great season for fishing and hunting. Game of all kinds wintered well and we believe there has been less poaching than usual. Our lakes and ponds teem with salmon and trout in greater numbers than ever before.

We respectfully ask all guides to co-operate with us in the great work of properly protecting the fish and the game. We shall take pleasure in doing all we can to aid you and to make your business pleasant and profitable. Let us work together to make our beloved State the great hunting and fishing resort of the nation as we actually can by seeing to it that our fish and our game are properly protected. Respectfully,

L. T. Carleton,
H. O. Stanley,
Chas. E. Oak,
Com'rs of inland fisheries and game.

The first printing press in America was established at Cambridge, Mass., in 1639.

Easter Lilies.

Easter lilies bud and bloom
Close beside the empty tomb;
Where an angel clothed in white,
Watched through the silent night.

While they waited round with fear
While the women lingered near;
"Fear not ye," the angel said,
"He is risen from the dead."

"See, the stone is rolled away,
Come, and see where the Lord lay.
And the joyful song, O hear,
He is risen, He is not here."

"He goeth before into Galilee,
Follow on your Lord to see;
He will meet you by the way,
Worship at his feet to-day."

Let your hearts be comforted,
He is risen from the dead."
Easter lilies bloom to-day,
Let your perfume float away
On the Easter morning air,
Like a sacrificial prayer.

Hear them tell again, He's risen
And ascended into Heaven,
To his Father and our own;
And before his gracious throne
Pleads to-day for you and me
By the cross of Calvary.

Dry your tears, lift up your eyes,
Christ hath entered Paradise.
Faithful than the lilies fair,
Are the crowns His followers wear,
And to-day His triumph sing,
He is risen, our Lord and King.

L. T. Howe.

Communication.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.
AUGUSTA, April 5, 1897.

To the Citizens of Maine:

The most progressive law enacted by the legislature during the past winter was the one providing for the grouping of towns for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools.

It is hoped that the people will make a careful study of the statute and then take the necessary steps to avail themselves of the advantages granted to the towns which accept the State's tender of assistance.

UNION OF TOWNS FOR PURPOSES OF SUPERINTENDENCE.

The statute provides that on and after July 1, 1897, the school committees of two or more towns, having under their care an aggregate of not less than twenty-five or more than fifty schools, may unite in the employment of a superintendent of schools, provided they have been so authorized by a vote of their towns at the regular town meetings or at special town meetings called for that purpose.

Whenever the chairman and secretary of the joint committee shall certify under oath to the State Superintendent of Public Schools that a union has been effected, that the towns unitedly have raised by taxation a sum not less than five hundred dollars for the support of a superintendent of schools, that a superintendent of schools has been employed for one year, and that the full amount appropriated for superintendence has been expended for that purpose, then the Governor and Council shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of the state for the payment to the superintendents of the several towns, provided that not more than two hundred and fifty dollars shall be paid to any one town or more than seven hundred and fifty dollars to all the towns comprising any union.

Persons employed to serve as superintendents of schools under this act shall hold State certificates under the act of 1895 providing for the State examination of teachers, and shall devote their entire time to superintendence. The powers and duties of superintendents elected under this act shall be the same as those prescribed for town superintendents.

No town shall receive State aid under this act, unless its appropriation and expenditure for superintendence has been exclusive of the amount required by law for public school purposes.

The above is the most important single statute, relating to the maintenance of public schools, that has been passed by any Maine legislature for fifty years.

It is hoped that the people will make a careful study of its provisions, and will avail themselves of the assistance offered by the State. The following extract from the last report of this department will show the necessity of expert superintendence, and will also explain its benefits and methods of operation:

"A casual study of the special returns made by the local superintendents and tabulated in the first section of the report, of this department for 1896, makes it entirely clear that the time has come when it is necessary to provide for expert superintendence of the public schools of Maine.

"The returns show that 96 per cent. of these superintendents are engaged in some other occupation, and only give to this work such

WAR REMINISCENCES

OF THE BETHEL COMPANY,
Company I, Fifth Maine Regiment.

By COL. CLARK S. EDWARDS.
NUMBER XVII.

A portion of Company I was inside of the rebel rifle-pits from half past six to quarter of ten o'clock in the evening, when we received orders from General Wright to move back to the position we occupied before making the charge.

At this time there were at least three thousand of our troops within the rebel works that had been taken, and firing had ceased.

General Lee in his account of the battle says that the Union forces were driven back. I think, however, that he was mistaken. As proof of my statement, the following incident affords some evidence.

In the Bethel company there was a private by the name of Patrick Farren who joined the company January 10, 1863. He tented with my brother for more than a year. Farren was educated for the priesthood, but becoming somewhat intemperate he abandoned his plans of being a priest. He was with the company as we charged through the second line of rifle-pits at Spotsylvania Court House. He was severely wounded in the leg and lay on the field of battle all night of May 10. On the morning of May 11, our pickets brought him to our headquarters, when he told me the following story: "I was with you at the time I was shot and fell just outside the second line of rifle-pits. For several hours I was unconscious. On recovering consciousness I wondered what had happened, whether or not you and the regiment had pushed on or fallen back; as I lay there with my shattered leg in the still hours of the night, I heard a slight noise and a moment later I heard some one whisper, 'I wonder where the d— Yanks will turn up next.' Realizing that the enemy was near I lay as if dead as they crept by me; when they were gone I began to plan how to get back to the place where we had charged through their works. My gun was at my side on the ground; I took the strap from my gun and strapped my wounded leg to my sound leg and hitched myself back on my hands and elbows to the first rifle-pit. How I ever got over them I cannot say, but, Colonel, I am here."

Our picket line was near the first rifle-pits. The pickets found Farren working his way back into our lines as described. To me this is strong evidence that General Lee was mistaken when he said that our forces were driven back and that the Confederates occupied the rifle-pits on the night of May 10, for on the 11th his skirmish line was back considerable distance from the lines we had captured.

Had the Confederates been in possession of the rifle-pits, Farren would not have been able to reach our lines. He was taken to the hospital where his leg was amputated. The exposure through which he passed and the terrible suffering experienced while working himself back into our lines, so weakened him that death soon followed the amputation of his leg.

Farren was an excellent soldier. He possessed many qualities so characteristic of his race. Of his early life I know nothing, but while he was a member of the Bethel Company he acquitted himself in a most commendable manner.

As we moved back from the works we had captured to the position we held before the charge was made, I, with fifteen or twenty men of our regiment, was the last to leave the captured lines. We at once went back to our shelter tents which we had left standing and there bivouacked for the night, though little sleep was had, for our hearts were too full of grief and sorrow for the poor fellows who had fallen.

When the camp became still I took a candle and moved quietly from tent to tent, many of which I found vacant while others had but one occupant. We had lost, killed and wounded, more than one half of our regiment.

Of the twenty-one men reported missing in action in addition to the number known to be killed and wounded, I have no doubt that twenty were killed for we never heard from any of them. One of the number died of wounds in a Richmond hospital, we afterwards learned. Of the twelve "picked" regiments very few were taken prisoners, in fact, I know of none with the exception of R. M. Lapham who in some way fell into the rebel hands. Of the rebel forces nearly two thousand prisoners were captured by the "picked"

regiments. Richmond M. Lapham, who was mortally wounded at Spotsylvania Court House, was a son of Thomas Lapham. At the time of his enlistment he was living near South Bethel. He fell inside the rebel lines, having advanced farther than most of his comrades had, and was taken to Richmond.

The late Dr. William B. Lapham, of Augusta, who was his cousin, once told me that he found the name of R. M. Lapham on the records of the Richmond hospital, and that the surgeon in charge said that Lapham died a day or two after reaching the hospital.

His death must have been about May 14, 1864. Many of the Lapham family are still living in Bethel.

The charge of the twelve "picked" regiments, the Fifth Maine being in the first line, was one of the most brilliant charges of the war; in fact, history records very few, if any charges, that equal it in valor.

Its place in history is secure. It was there that Grant conferred upon the gallant Upton the well merited grade of brigadier-general, for conspicuous acts of gallantry.

Bryce McLellan Edwards, son of Enoch and Abigail McLellan Edwards, was born in Otisfield August 20, 1830. He was mustered into the service July 25, 1862, and joined the Bethel Company while we were on the Maryland campaign a few days before the battles at Crampton Pass and Antietam.

During the march from Warrenton to Belle Plain on the Potomac, he contracted a severe cold from which he never fully recovered. His health was somewhat impaired, yet he remained with his regiment till it was mustered out, faithfully discharging all duties that were required of him. At the close of the war he returned to the old home in Otisfield where he and I had spent our boyhood days as brothers. He lived on the home farm till his death which occurred in September, 1894. In 1855 and 1856, he lived in Bethel in the house now owned and occupied by C. C. Bryant on the river road leading to Middle Intervale.

He was one of the eleven members of the company that visited me in June, 1891. Of this number six have answered the final roll-call and are now numbered with the great majority of their comrades in that "undiscovered country, from whose bourne no traveler returns."

Willoughby R. York, son of the late Aaron York, was born in Bethel, 1835. He enlisted in the Bethel Company in April 1861, and was mustered into the U. S. service as wagoner the following June. He was among the first to enlist from our town. His record was a commendable one; all duties being well and faithfully performed. He died in 1894 or 1895 at Lynchville, where he was in business.

Barzila K. Bean Jr. was born in Gilead in 1837. He enlisted in the Bethel Company in December 1861, and was mustered into the service January 8, 1862. He was discharged for disability September 18, 1862, his health having been much impaired during the Peninsula campaign. He was a commendable one; all duties being well and faithfully performed. He died in 1894 or 1895 at Lynchville, where he was in business.

On the evening of April 26, 1861, there was assembled in our village post-office a crowd of young men anxious to get the news from Washington. I had just received recruiting papers from Augusta, and stepping to the desk I signed my name on the fourth or fifth line from the top of the paper. I then called for volunteers. No sooner than said, Stillman N. Littlehale rushed through the crowd saying, "I will enlist." He placed his name on the first line and therefore headed the list of the Bethel Company, which with the exception of the Norway Company of three months, was the first company to enlist from Oxford County.

Stillman N. Littlehale is a son of Luther Littlehale and was born in Newry in 1837. He moved with his father to Riley Plantation more than fifty years ago and has since resided there. He was a soldier whose record at the front is one that sheds luster upon the American volunteer. He was slightly wounded at Gaines Hill June 27, 1862. While we were charging up the hill a rebel bullet passed through the top of his cap, inflicting a slight scalp wound. Had he been two inches taller, it is quite safe to say he would have been mustered out of this life to the higher life beyond. He has filled public positions at the hands of his fellow citizens, and at the present time is employed by the Androscoggin Water Company of Lisbon.

[These articles will appear once in two weeks.—Ed.]

RENT RECEIPTS

Carried in stock at the NEWS office.
Paper for School Children 5c. per lb.

exhibition of absolute naturalness.

The little undeveloped child exhibits a wonderful freedom from self-consciousness, or foolish intimidations when in the presence of others, as it claws its little neighbor for the possession of a coveted toy.

It seems perfectly natural to see people taking the very best of everything within reach for their individual use, regardless of the needs or rights of others. The struggles for precedence, from securing a seat in an electric car, to the chief seats in the synagogue betray wonderful naturalness in their straightforward simplicity.

It is probably quite natural to have manners that are an offence to civilization—like promiscuous expectation. It may be following primeval instincts to sit, stand, walk in such excess of awkward habits as to be actual indictments to those who are unfortunately brought into contact with such persons. It may be natural to eat one's soup with audible enjoyment, with elbows upon the table, and feet wound around the chair-legs.

With such an array of natural possibilities one really feels as though the lovely ideals the women-talkers had in mind had better be called the un-natural.

By the strange law of association a comical episode flashes before the Observer's mind, and she sees again a scene of her boarding-school days, as entering a neighboring chamber to bid some presumably homesick new girls "Good night!" she saw a student of an exceedingly lack-lack-dical appearance appropriating the two pillows for her last night of repose with her unacquainted room-mate, and saying, as she quietly robbed her neighbor, "I've always had just what I wanted at home. Mamma says I'm a perfect child of nature."

"Well, I'm only a child of wrath," was the indignant rejoinder as the confiscated pillow was peremptorily abstracted from under the "child of nature's" feebly-protesting head and punched into its proper place.

We all say of a great artist, elocutionist, actress, or trained society woman, "She is so exquisitely natural." In the presence of such wonderful cultivation nothing seems difficult, and those wonderful high or deep notes, the—trill that seems stolen from a bird's throat—the perfection of tone and accuracy of pitch that makes the singer's voice become one with a flute—the pathos of the great reader—the emotion of the great actress—the charming sweetness and ease of the society woman, have all the same wonderful power of putting us happily at ease, as though, we, also, could warble, or thrill, or charm—and for the brief time they enthrall us, we, too, are great and famous. It's a terrible awakening, to be sure, but for the time being we are what we admire, and we never yield to such sway till it becomes perfectly natural to do so through their great power of being natural in their work.

We all know that this marvelous ease has only been secured by the most unremitting toil devoted to attaining this high standard, and that the seemingly effortless rendition of a great composition by a great artist is really the result of the most arduous labor.

The great pianist has trained his fingers, wrists, and arms as a gymnast would do; the great actress has thought, and practiced, studied, pruned, and re-made herself into different moulds; and the society woman has made a business of putting human beings perfectly at ease by making it easy for them to forget themselves; and in time, after years of patient effort, these hard workers all come before the world and enchant it with their naturalness, which is really the development from nature into culture. How bewildering! What does it all mean—that to be akin to nature is to be a doubtful blessing to the world, and in order to give an impression of true and beautiful naturalness we must be as far from original nature as is a gold vase from a lump of ore?

There is a most suggestive phrase called "second nature." We say of some sweet soul that her genuine selflessness has become a "second nature"—for we well know that the first nature of all human beings is not noticeably marked for its self-abnegation—and when by years of soul discipline she does dear deeds with an instinctive passion of helpfulness we see them done so naturally that our highest praise finds expression in saying, "It is like her."

No wonder that our thoughtful women could not formulate their thoughts upon such a complex subject at a moment's notice. If some of us who have been earnestly dwelling upon this train of thought could have had it put before us in our youth with sufficient clearness and

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Bethel, Maine, May 12th. 1897.

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN

Announcement.

We beg leave to announce that we have taken a partner into our business in the person of Henry Farwell of our town.

Mr. Farwell has for many years been the chairman of the board of selectmen of Bethel, and is too well known throughout Oxford county to need any introduction from us. His true and manly character has won for him the highest esteem of all who know him, and the enthusiasm with which he enters the business, together with the marked business abilities which all know him to possess will be of positive value in promoting the interests of the News.

We are constantly receiving congratulations on the improved condition of our paper, and we wish to state that while we do not intend to boast, we do intend through the addition of capital and energy to place before our readers the leading paper of Oxford County. An effort is being made to increase our list of subscribers, and that we have succeeded may be shown by referring to the list published this week and last. It gives us much pleasure to know that our readers appreciate our efforts to improve the News, and we take this opportunity to acknowledge our gratefulness to those who have expressed their appreciation for it truly gives us courage and ambition to do more; and we only hope that we may be able to do so to improve its tone and appearance that it may merit the increased support, which it is receiving.

The Soldiers Monument.

We are glad to note the interest which is being manifested by our citizens in a monument to be erected in Bethel to the honor of our noble sons who fought in the late rebellion. Few towns of Bethel's size furnished more soldiers good and true, and who were found during those bloody days at their post of duty than did Bethel. The citizens of Bethel, most of whom were not called upon to pass through those trying scenes will do a noble deed when they rear a structure in memory of those patriotic heroes whose virtue and valor prompted them to offer their lives, in order that we might to-day bask in the sunlight of freedom, and claim as a heritage the noblest and purest nation beneath the sunshine of Heaven.

If our honored soldiers had such a love for their country in the hour when destruction all but claimed it as its victim, as to willingly take their lives in their hands and boldly march into the very jaws of death, and there in warm blood, oozing fresh from out their loyal veins dip their pens and write across our grand old flag the words Freedom and Union, how much more willing should we be to assist in erecting a monument to their memory, which shall stand when the last hero shall have passed away, to remind the rising generations of the price paid to purchase American freedom.

The Brown Post has just received notice from the Secretary of the Navy that the Portsmouth navy yard has been directed to issue to the order of their Post, two Parrot gins and one hundred 40 lb. spherical projectiles.

Citizens of Bethel, let us wait no longer but begin at once to effect plans for a soldiers' monument, that those who still remain may know that the lives of the true and loyal soldiers of Bethel shall live on and their names shall be revered for ages when marble slabs shall mark their resting places.

We understand we have a new lawyer in town, namely E. M. Simpson, who was admitted to the Oxford County Bar last Monday. Mr. Simpson is a young man of sterling worth, possessing rare intellectual qualifications, and we predict success for him in his chosen profession.

Hon. A. R. Savage of Auburn, was at S. Paris handling the Gilbert-Smith case when he received notice of his appointment to the Supreme bench. Judge Savage has for many years enjoyed the reputation of being one of Maine's most able lawyers, and his appointment to this position of trust is acknowledged as a wise choice.

TOWN TOPICS

Calvin Bissbee was at South Paris Monday.

J. M. Philbrook was in Paris, Tuesday.

Albert Littlefield and son were in town, Saturday.

Wm. C. Chapman of Gilead, was in town, Tuesday.

T. L. Webb and A. L. Clough were in town yesterday.

George I. Burnham of Gilead, was in town this morning.

Charles Stovell of Locke Mills, was in town yesterday.

The road machine was worked in C.W. Barker's district yesterday.

Miss Carrie Hastings spent Sunday with her parents at Mayville.

F. L. Edwards drove his young stock to Albany to pasture yesterday.

The Ladies' Club meets with Mrs. Florence Holt, Thursday afternoon, at three o'clock.

Dan. R. Smith, of Gould's Academy, post-graduate '96, is teaching school in Coos Co., N. H.

Through the pension agency of A. W. Grover of Bethel, a pension has been secured for Judge Foster.

Regular rehearsal of the Bethel Chorus Thursday evening if weather permits. A full attendance is requested.

Miss Sadie Mason, who has been attending school at Bridgton Academy, spent three days at her home last week.

O. D. Ellingwood and wife of West Paris are stopping at the home of her father, Eben Richardson, on Church street.

Prof. W. R. Chapman is making another tour of Maine, in the interest of the Maine Musical Festival, and spent Monday in Bethel.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler received news from her son at Norway of the serious illness of her nephew, so was obliged to go there at once.

We are glad so many want the fountain pen which we are giving for the new subscribers. It is a genuine article and worth working for.

The many friends of Judge Woodbury will be pleased to hear of his return from Pennsylvania, where he has spent the winter months.

The annual convention of the W. C. T. U. will meet at Bethel, May 18 and 19. A most helpful as well as pleasing programme has been prepared.

A. M. Carter agent for the Berlin Mills Co., was at his home at Middle Intervale Saturday, on his way to the 'Chain of Ponds' to look at the farm and lumber operations there.

Mount Abram Lodge worked the first degree upon one candidate last Saturday evening, and expect to work the second next Saturday evening. A good attendance of the members should be present.

Mr. I. N. Lord, agent for the Mosler Safe Co. passed through Bethel on his way to Berlin last night, he will return to Bethel in a few days and any one wanting a nice safe cheap, will do well to see him.

Lisco Hall has recently purchased a new graphophone and any who would like to see and hear the workings of this wonderful machine can do so by calling at the shop. The machine works perfectly and will sing, play, talk, and laugh.

The sprockets on all Iver Johnson machines are made of copper forgings. They are absolutely true and the cutting of the teeth has been reduced to such a science that there is little or no wear or stretch of chains. This wheel is for sale by S. W. Buck, and is the one to be given in the News contest.

There will be a meeting of the Odd Fellows Lodges in the Fourth District at Dixfield, Thursday evening May 20th. The second and third degrees will be worked. It is expected that the Grand Master will be present. If the weather is suitable, it will be a pleasant drive and arrangements can be made for several members of the Bethel boys to attend.

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Communication.

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time as they can spare from their regular business. The work done by such persons must necessarily be, to a great extent, haphazard in character, unsatisfactory in results and wanting in those elements which insure good service. To superintend schools intelligently, one needs scholarship, professional training and experience in the work of the schoolroom. He needs to know the subjects studied, the methods used in giving instruction, and to be familiar with the history, science and art of education. He must not only be familiar with the facts taught in text-books, but he must also be a student of science, art, literature, history, economy. He must know what the world has done, what it is doing, what it is capable of doing. He must know men, things, means. He must be strong of mind, rugged of body, rich in personality. His work must be his absorbing vocation. To it, he must give his entire time and devote his best thought. He must study schools; he must study teachers; he must study children. One cannot do and be all things unless he has an aptitude for the work, has prepared for it and gives his whole time to it. If one's best thought is devoted to his patients, his parishioners, his business, or his farming, it is not possible for him to serve the schools in such a way as to help the teacher to give the best instruction, and the children to do the best work.

"The amount expended annually for the superintendence of schools in the State of Maine is about \$60,000. This is a sum large enough to give to each town about \$120 for this purpose. The State offers to supplement this amount with an equal amount if a number of towns join in employing a superintendent of schools. The contribution made by the State added to the amount raised by the town would give a sum large enough to enable the towns to secure a competent person to perform these duties.

"Perhaps the plan of procedure can be made clearer by using the following illustration. Suppose the towns of Turner, Livermore, Leeds and Greene unite and employ a superintendent. Suppose Turner contributes \$225, Livermore \$145, Leeds \$90 and Greene \$90, making a total of \$550. If an equal sum were furnished by the State, the amount would be \$1,100. On this basis Turner would be entitled to five votes, Livermore to three, Leeds to two, and Greene to two in the selection of a superintendent. If the schools were consolidated even to a reasonable extent in these towns, the whole number would not exceed twenty-five, and in no case would they exceed thirty. The amounts apportioned to each of the towns named above is not materially in excess of the sums now appropriated for this purpose. This union of towns and placing all the schools in the charge of one person who would be expected to devote his entire time to the work, would insure the employment of an official who would have a personal interest and professional pride in making the schools the best which the means placed at his disposal would allow."

W. W. STETSON,
State Sup't. Public Schools.

BOSTON SUBWAY EXPLOSION.

Fire Marshall Whitcomb Finds that It Was the Fault of No One.

Boston, May 4.—State Fire Marshall Whitcomb, Monday, made a report on the gas explosion which took place at the corner of Tremont and Boylston streets, March 4th last. The finding is that the fire was caused by an explosion of air combined with gas which had been allowed to accumulate in the subway excavation, ignited by a spark from a passing car wheel, and it exploded with the force of an immense cartridge. That the fracture from which the gas escaped may have been caused in either one of several ways, by settlement of the ground, the loosening of the pipe supports, or by the action of the frost.

That such fracture was the natural, and not the negligent result of the construction of the subway in accordance with the legislation which authorized it in the contract under which it was carried out. That this fire and explosion was not the result of any wilful act or omission on the part of any individual or corporation.

A Noted Minstrel.

M. T. Skiff, formerly business manager for W. J. Scanlon, the Irish Comedian, suffered with Rheumatism for years without relief until he bought a bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Two bottles made a well man of him. There are a thousand remedies for Rheumatism, but none have received the unsolicited testimonials from prominent people as shown by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. When a cure was wanted, send \$5 to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., New York, and they will ship to your address two large bottles of the Remedy—enough for one month's treatment. Agents wanted.

CASCARETS stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe. 10c.

Children's Column.

Grandpa's Spectacles.

"O mamma, what will grandpa do? He's gone away to Heaven. Without his silver spectacles, That Uncle John has given? How can he read the papers there, Or find his hickory staff? He'll put his coat on wrong side out, And make the people laugh. And when he takes the Bible down And wipes the dusty lid, He'll never find his spectacles Within its covers hid. There won't be any little girl. He likes so well as me. To run and hunt them up for him, And put them on his knee. O, dear! He'll never find, I'm sure, About the wicked 'fies,' And how the bears ate children up, (That used to frighten me!) So, mamma, if you'll dress me up, Just like an angel bright, I'll fix our ladder 'gainst the sky, And take them up to-night." [Selected.]

A Gold Dollar.

In a small drawer on the top of Mrs. Frost's bureau was a little oval blue box "very pretty," the children said, with a bright colored band around it, and a little handle to carry it by. This box was given Mrs. Frost's little girl by a kind man and was kept as a treasure and also to hold all the silver mites and coins that little Belle so delighted to receive from papa, and all her uncles and cousins very often this box was taken from the drawer by the children, the money carefully counted and put back in the box and the box again returned to its accustomed place.

One piece of money seemed to attract the attention of little Belle's brother Harry, it was so different from the others. He knew it was of more value than any other of the pieces and that it did not belong to Belle at all, but to her father. It was given to Papa by Grandpa Frost, when he was twenty-one years old; it had been worn as a pin but was now laid away as a keepsake as this pin had come off and it was too valuable in the eyes of the family to be spent.

Harry often went to the box to see this dollar and one morning the temptation to put it in his pocket was so strong that he took it and quietly slipped through the dining-room and out of doors to his playmates.

He had it now all to himself and for an hour or more he walked around until he found himself on Main Street wandering leisurely along and stopping before the store windows to see what he could find for a new toy. Like all boys a new knife was always a thing of pleasure and pausing before Mr. Church's window he saw what he considered a beauty; he felt in his pocket for the small amount his father allowed him to spend each week, and drawing out his money drew forth the pretty bright dollar.

I cannot say Harry was conscious smitten at the sight of it for he immediately went to the store, and inquired the price of the knife in the window, and upon being told that it was worth just one dollar, laid the gold dollar on the counter, took the knife and walked away.

He went home to dinner, but somehow the savory meal was not enjoyed as usual, and the knife seemed heavy in his pocket; in the afternoon he went out behind the barn and thought he would whistle awhile but he did not feel like it, even if he did have a new knife and a nice piece of pine to whittle. Thus the afternoon wore on and it was tea-time and Harry must go in, but the longer he carried the knife, the heavier it grew, and every little while something seemed to rise in his throat and choke him; even the tears would sometimes come to his eyes when he thought of the gold dollar he had taken and without the consent of his good and kind father.

The evening passed slowly in the Frost household, to one at least, and when the children's hour for retiring came, Harry for once at least, went to his room willingly but begged that his door might be left open.

Every thing was soon quietness itself; the children were supposed to be sound asleep. Mr. Frost was reading this paper, and Mrs. Frost was sewing a garment for one of the family, when a faint sound was heard. Soon a louder one was heard, then a louder, and finally a great heart-rending sob such as only a broken-hearted man can sob forth. "Why, Harry, what is the matter?" said Mr. Frost for the sound came directly from Harry's room. "Are you sick, son?" said his mother whose anxieties were at once aroused.

"No, no, may I come to you?" said Harry. "Certainly, my boy, come here to me and tell me the trouble," said his father, and poor Harry with hanging head, came directly to the room and bursting forth anew, said, "O, papa, I've got a bad boy! What shall I do? What is it, what have you done my boy?"

Then between his sobs, and with his head hidden between his father's knees, he told his story. He felt a little lighter hearted, but when he raised his head and saw his father's stern look and his mother's pale face his sobs began anew almost ending in screams.

"There Harry, stop and go to your room, I must think about

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Closely following the Red and Violet which have been so popular this season comes

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—In all the Shades—

NOTICE our Emerald "Window" and remember that

WE ARE ALWAYS

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Waist Sets will be worn more than ever this year, buy one of me and be in style.

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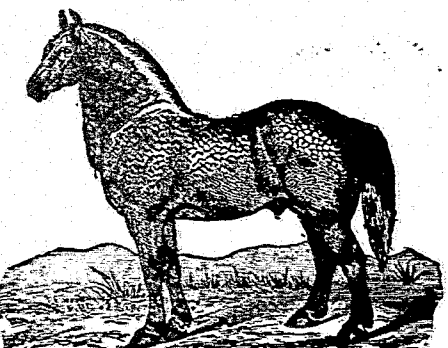
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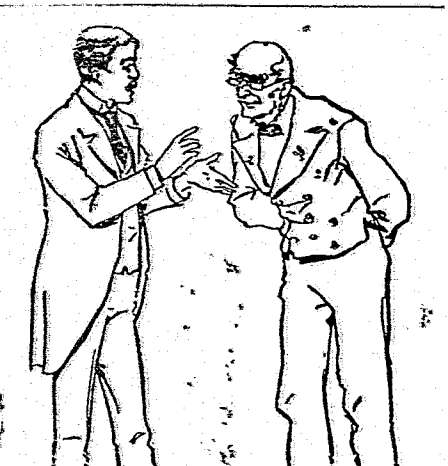


WELL! WELL!!
That will be your natural expression of pleased surprise and wonderment at the prices we have marked on our GRAYSON PORTRAITS. It really ought not to be done, but trade necessity knows no law.

SPECIAL—Any person bringing me a club of six & Graysons will receive one free. T. R. Y. R. W. GLIDDEN, 29 Main St., BETHEL, ME.



JONAS EDWARDS, AUBURN, MAINE.
Importers of Canada Horses: 400 to 600 lbs. in hand, sizes 1000 to 1600 lbs. Priced low for cash or trade. Also a good assortment of harnesses at lowest prices. Heavy team harness a specialty.



If you are in need of a New Suit of Clothes, a new Pair of Shoes or anything in LADIES' or GENTS' FURNISHINGS, Dry and Fancy Goods, Groceries, Flour, Crockery, Glass or Stoneware, Trunks, Bags, Wall Papers, Window Shades, Draperies.

CEYLON ROWE'S, Bethel, Maine.
DR. H. H. TUKEY, SURGEON DENTIST, ANDOVER CORNER, ME.

HANOVER.
Mr. O. P. Russell has commenced work on the grounds for his new store.

MISS LAURA SMITH commenced the summer term of school at Andover, May 3.

MISS MAUD PHIPPS is teaching at Percy.

MISS VIRTUE TWITCHELL has returned from a short visit to Andover, Mass.

WEST BETHEL.
The June-bugs, soon will haunt our land.

EDMUND T. MAINS is at W. H. Merrows.

FRANK L. GOODNOW of Gorham, N. H., was in town, Saturday.

ETHEL L. ALLEN is taking lessons on the organ of Maud Merrow.

ELMER BRIGGS has bought a bicycle, and is learning to ride.

MRS. L. C. BEAN of Deering, is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

A. P. LADD, who has been on the road, canvassing, is at home sick of the grippe.

MRS. F. L. GOODNOW and children of Gorham, N. H., were in town last week.

EBEN KILBORN of Bethel Hill, will give the pulpit and chairs for the church.

A floor of hard wood has been laid in the parlor of the church, and the pews, painting, and carpeting will complete the edifice.

AT THE HANGING OF THE BELL in the new church, the school was let out for half an hour, and Miss Merrow and her scholars pulled on the rope to hoist it from the ground to the tower.

MR. AND MRS. LYSANDER ORDWAY have kindly consented to let the boys play ball during the summer in their field near the school house.

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SOUTH PARIS.
This promises to be a good building season in our village.

THE NEW ELECTRICAL GRID mill near the Grand Trunk track is rapidly nearing completion.

ALBERT D. PARK is doing an extensive job of grading and lawn building under its new house.

CHARLES BOWKER has his house raised and is now rapidly putting a story under it for his store.

MR. COLBY has made some extended changes in his house near the depot, increasing its capacity one rent.

THE WORK OF GRADING about the County buildings is at a stand still for a short time, awaiting further plans.

GEORGE W. COOK has laid the foundation for another new house on Western Avenue, near the one he is now completing for Mrs. Bird.

A large number of cases are marked for trial this week but probably but few will actually come to trial. Most of them will be short.

WALLACE RYERSON has much improved and beautified the lawn about his residence, recently purchased of Sylvan Shurtleff of Portland.

THE "EBONY KINGS" of this village gave an entertainment at Norway on Friday evening of last week, to a good house.

A. D. PARK will sell at auction on the old James Bennett place near Norway village, on Saturday next, the finest lot of house furnishings ever sold at public auction in this vicinity.

THE BUILDERS are completing the improvements in and about the house of J. Hastings Bean, Register of Deeds. Mr. Bean has made extensive repairs, changes and improvements about his house.

THE GIVEN BENEFIT concert at Norway on Monday evening was one of the finest our people have ever listened to here.

WE LEARN that the Norway Electric Railway Co. under the management of Superintendent Lee, is to expend about five hundred dollars in fixing up the pine grove near the Hicks crossing on Pleasant street, for a picnic and entertainment resort for the summer.

ONLY ONE CASE was tried during last week in the Supreme Court, the case of Gilbert vs. Smith. This was a case where suit was brought to recover damages by flood, the plaintiff claiming that the defendant did not maintain sufficient dam to prevent damage by a rise of water.

DENMARK.
Deferred Correspondence.
Simeon Colby has been very sick lately but is better.

A. H. WITHAM has been sick the past week of grip and is still very poorly.

MRS. GEORGE FLANDERS is quite poorly. It is quite sickly about here this spring.

ELBRIDGE THORP and wife have been quite sick lately. They care for the town farm this year.

OUR COMMON SCHOOLS commenced Monday. The assignment of teachers is not yet learned.

CHAD RAND JR. and wife went to Jackson, N. H., Saturday to work for the summer in a boarding house.

IT IS USUALLY quiet since the U. S. Marshall paid us a couple of visits and quite a number of our young men and some older ones were called to Portland.

ALONZO WENTWORTH and wife go this week to Jackson, N. H., where he works as section hand on the P. & O. R. R. Fred Davis carries on Mr. Wentworth's place this summer.

WE ARE SAD to record the death of our townsman and friend, Edgar Hilton, which occurred Monday evening, April 26. He was fifty-three years old and leaves a wife and nine children.

IRVING INGALLS has bought of his father the buildings on the old Benton place and will move the house this week to the lot where the Dr. Sawyer buildings were burned, where he will make a home.

NORTH NORWAY.
J. W. MORGAN is going to making baskets.

JOSEPH RICHARDSON has two good horses to sell.

JOHN WOOD and family are about moving to the village.

MRS. JOSIAH HEATH is very sick of cancer in the mouth and stomach.

MRS. JOSEPHINE MERRILL has purchased the Brooks' farm of John Wood.

MRS. HAZEL FINT is very sick. Mrs. James Packard is on the sick list.

JUST LOOK!!
HERE IS A CHANCE TO GET A \$100 BICYCLE ABSOLUTELY FREE.

As the season for wheels draws near, many are doubtless wondering how they are to secure one, and fortunately the Bethel News appears at this time with a plan whereby it can be secured free of cost.

THIS IS THE PLAN.
We desire to add 500 subscribers to our list during the next few months; we also have a well equipped job office which we wish to work to its full capacity.

THE PRIZE.
The wheel which we shall give is the well known Iver Johnson wheel. It is their best \$100 wheel, containing all the 1897 improvements and is, as anyone familiar with wheels will say, one of the best now in use.

A WORD TO THE CONTESTANTS.
Begin at once, for if you wait to see what others are doing, someone will get such a start of you that it will be difficult to get even with them.

REV. MRS. JORDAN from Mechanic Falls preaches at the chapel one third of the time, and Rev. A. K. Bryant of West Paris one third.

BERLIN, N. H.
Who hasn't a wheel?

A. PLUMMER was down from Milan the past week.

MRS. E. S. BEAN has been out of the city the past week.

SOME OF THE TEACHERS of B. H. S. took a trip to Alpine Cascades, Saturday.

A. M. SWAN of Norway, Me., has been taking some pictures about the city last week.

GEORGE F. RICH has been improving the looks of his premises by picking up and building flower gardens.

"MY FRIEND FROM INDIA," played in Whitney Opera House last Saturday evening, to a fair sized audience. This is a very good company and the acting was exceptionally good.

THE BASE BALL season will open next Friday with a game with the Owls of Andover at Franconia. This is the same team that Berlin played with last year and did them up. The home team will play about the same as last year.

MRS. HANNAH NICHOLS still remains very low. There is little hope of her recovery.

NATHANIEL FOX, A., and C. S. Lord, and Z. McAllister are having repairing and painting done on their buildings.

HER LIFE TRULY SAVED.
Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Does It.



MRS. L. A. POPE, 217 Humboldt St., Typhoid fever left me with heart trouble of the most serious nature. Nothing the doctors gave had any effect. I had severe pain in the heart, and was unable to lie on my left side for more than three minutes at a time.

DR. MILES' NEW HEART CURE and Restorative Nervine, and purchased a bottle of each. After taking the remedies a week, I could lie on my left side for an hour, and in a short time I was able to do light housework. I shall be ever grateful to you for your wonderful medicines. Truly they saved my life.

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1 Sofa, 1 Easy Chair, 1 Easy Rocker, 1 Reception Chair, 1 Side Chair, 1 Center Table, 1 Large Plaque, 20 Yds. Tapestry Carpet, 1 Parlor Lamp, 1 Window Shades, 1 Pair Leather Curtains, 2 Sets Poles and Trimmings, 1 Pictures.

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